PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN

(54) **VIRTUAL MALL SYSTEM**

(57) Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To reduce the burden load on the user side by calculating a charge including a delivery change by using either one of 1st and 2nd delivery tables while referring to a delivery area table and a commodity master at the time of receiving a charge calculation request for a commodity to be purchased.

SOLUTION: When a charge calculation request for a commodity to be purchased is outputted from a client 2 to a WWW server 3 through an interconnection network (Internet) 1, either one of the 1st delivery table 30a for defining the delivery charge of a commodity to be used based on quantity and the 2nd delivery table 30b for defining the delivery charge of the commodity based on an amount is selected by referring to a delivery area table 20 and a commodity master 40 stored in the server 3. A charge including a delivery charge is calculated in the delivery form of each store and in each delivery area by using the selected table. Consequently the quantity of information for specifying a delivery address by a user can be reduced and the burden on the user side can be reduced.